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EMPIRE FORCES OCCUPY THE DOCK AREA AT BASRA AFTER DRIVING OUT IRAQI TROOPS: SILENCE AT WILHELMSTRASSE: ROME WATCHING WITH INTEREST

EMPIRE FORCES HAVE OCCUPIED THE AIR PORT, DOCK AREA AND POWER STATION AT BASRA, AFTER DRIVING OUT THE IRAQI FORCES, STATES A REUTER MESSAGE.

It is learned in London early on Sunday that a clash occurred in the Basra area between British forces and Iraqi forces. The latter were driven off by bombing and artillery.

THERE IS NO TRUTH IN THE GERMAN BROADCAST STATEMENT THAT INDIAN SOLDIERS SURRENDERED TO IRAQI TROOPS.

In addition to the flooding of Mosul oilfields, the Ankara Radio reported that Iraqi forces are now in control of the oil wells and their installations.

THE WILHELMSTRASSE IS OBSERVING OSTENTATIOUS SILENCE OVER EVENTS, ACCORDING TO BERLIN REPORTS QUOTED BY THE VICHY NEWS AGENCY.

AIR BATTLE OVER HABBANIYAH

CAIRO, May 4 (REUTER)—An air battle between British and Iraqi planes was fought over HABBANIYAH on Friday, according to news reaching here.

The Iraqi Government is known to have called up reserve officers of two classes.

Egyptians generally express regret at the outbreak of hostilities which they hope will soon be brought to an end.

Information received in London from Iraq states that a number of British aircraft were destroyed on the ground and some casualties sustained.

British bombers silenced a number of Iraqi guns firing at the British aerodrome at Habbaniyah. The Iraq Air Force unsuccessfully tried to raid the aerodrome on Friday. Shelling restarted this morning and the fighting is still in progress.

Nothing is known in London of anything justifying to the Iraqi claim that they have repulsed the British attack on Rutba. That British tanks were destroyed on the aerodrome there, is certainly untrue.

During the last few days, the Iraq Government has posted troops round the British aerodrome at Habbaniyah. Trenches of huge guns were mounted on the edge of the desert plateau over-looking the aerodrome.

A request for the withdrawal of these troops was met by a despatch of further forces.

DEPRIVED OF NATIONALITY

VICHY, May 4 (REUTER)—The famous French dramatist, M. Henri Bernstein and Eve Curie, daughter of the late Madame Curie, discoverer of Radium, have been deprived of their nationality. Twenty-seven other people were deprived of their nationality at the same time.

Today's News Summary

AFTER DRIVING OUT the Iraqi troops, Empire forces occupied the air port and dock area at Basra. The Wilhelmstrasse is maintaining ostentatious silence over the events in Iraq while great interest is being shown in the Italian capital.

BRITISH NIGHT FIGHTERS set a new record on Saturday night when they accounted for 16 enemy raiders.

ON THE OCCASION OF the National Day of Poland, Mr. Winston Churchill, in a broadcast to the Polish people, paid tribute to the unfaltering confidence of Gen. Sikorski and praised the prowess of Polish pilots.

THE AUSTRALIAN PRIME Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, is now on his way to the United States. In a broadcast yesterday he stressed the important war work being done by women in Britain.

CAPT. JAMES ROOSEVELT has arrived at Rangoon from whence he will proceed to Cairo where he will be military observer.

THE AUSTRALIANS ARE still holding stoutly the defences at Tobruk and the last enemy attack has definitely been brought to a standstill.

MR. WENDELL WILLKIE has again urged that the United States must get the goods to Britain.

Correspondents in Budapest remark that reports of the appeal by the Iraqi Minister to the Reich caused no surprise in Berlin political circles and they recalled Hitler's assertion that Germany will attack Britain "wherever she may be found."

Germany are showing particular interest in the developments round the Persian Gulf.

Rome is also following developments in Iraq with the greatest attention and the Axis-controlled press in Central Europe is full of references to the "ferment in the Arab world."

The British Ambassador to Turkey, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, and members of the British Embassy attended a tea party given by the Iraqi Minister in honour of the birthday of the King of Iraq.

No news of Iraq developments was received in Ankara yesterday and it is believed communications with that country are interrupted.

The German Radio, however, has been heard quoting Istanbul

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Cyprus, Palestine Swiftly Perfecting Their Defences

NICOSIA, CYPRUS, May 4 (REUTER)—With the war drawing nearer in the Eastern Mediterranean, CYPRUS and PALESTINE have been quietly and swiftly perfecting their defences.

Full precautions against possible air attacks on Cyprus are being

business reasons, he added, should enlist in A.R.P. services.

The air raid warning was sounded in Nicosia on Saturday when an aeroplane was sighted near the coast, but no raid developed. Incessant movements of aeroplanes, warships and transports in these waters have brought home to the people of Cyprus and other territories in Eastern Mediterranean that the war is coming.

CONFIDENCE GIVEN

At the same time, the British Navy's recent mining of the Eastern Mediterranean has given confidence.

Alexandria is busily preparing against air attacks and the building of air raid shelters for 100,000 people are being pushed forward.

From the Turkish mainland come reports of movement of troops and aeroplanes to defensive positions in the Taurus mountains.

The situation in Syria remains obscure. Both French and native refugees reaching here tell of continual arrival of Nazi "tourists" and the frontier with Palestine is closed and guarded.

U.S. SHOULD BECOME NAVAL BELLIGERENT

BOSTON, May 4 (REUTER)—Our best hope of avoiding a later battle and avoid desperate odds, is to become a naval belligerent now, declared the President of Harvard University, MR. JAMES B. CONANT in a nationwide broadcast today.

"The hour for action has been clearly struck," he said.

Mr. Conant described the idea that the war might be ended by a negotiated peace as "utterly fantastic to anyone who, like myself, has lately been in England."

NIGHT FIGHTERS SET UP NEW RECORD

LONDON, May 4 (REUTER)—British night fighters set up a record last night when they brought down 14 out of 16 planes destroyed, or three more than the previous best effort. Moreover, it is worthy of note that the moon was barely in its first quarter.

Again this edition of the Bomber and Coastal Commands carried out extensive operations over Norway, Germany and the French Atlantic coast during the night, without loss.

The heaviest raid was directed against Cologne, where thousands of incendiaries caused many fires and some of the R.A.F.'s most powerful high explosive bombs were used.

Raids on a smaller scale were made on Bremen, Dusseldorf, Rotterdam and Brest, where bombs were seen to straddle the battle cruisers Scharnhorst and Gneisenau.

Strasbourg, Boulogne and Le Touquet were also visited.

During daylight yesterday, enemy shipping was harassed. One supply ship of 2,000 tons and another of 500 tons were sunk, and later in the day a 5,000-ton vessel

GERMANS WANT NICKEL MINES

BERLIN, May 4 (REUTER)—The Nazis are trying to get control of the Nickel Mines at Pernam in Northern Finland which were wrecked during the fighting in Finland 18 months ago.

The German Foreign Office announces that negotiations are going on with the "partners in the mines" presumably Finland and Russia, as it is understood that the mines were taken over by the Finnish State from Anglo-Canadian interests after the Russo-Finnish War and the Soviet is said to have claimed a controlling interest.

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CHURCHILL BROADCASTS TO POLISH NATION: TRIBUTE TO UNFALTERING CONFIDENCE OF GENERAL SIKORSKI

Polish Pilots' Prowess Against Nazi Hordes

LONDON, May 4 (REUTER)—MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, the Prime Minister, broadcasting on the POLISH NATIONAL DAY, said that they were right to keep the day as a national holiday because the Constitution of 1791 was a pattern when it was framed of intelligent and political thought.

Neighbours in those bygone days saw in the adoption of this system the beginning of a regeneration of Poland. They hastened to perpetrate the partition of the country before the Polish nation could consolidate its position.

The same tragedy and the same crime was repeated in 1939. The Germans became alarmed at the success achieved by the Polish nation in setting its house in order.

They saw their aggressive designs would be thwarted by the growth of a strong and independent Polish State.

At the time of the brutal German attack, Poland had, in the face of tremendous difficulties, achieved notable progress during the 20 years of its revived national existence.

To complete this work of national reconstruction, you needed and you hoped for a similar period of peaceful development. When the call came, Poland did not hesitate; she did not hesitate to risk all the progress that she had made rather than to compromise her national honour and showed her spontaneous response with the spirit of national unity and self-sacrifice, which has maintained her among the great nations of Europe through all her many trials and tribulations.

APPEAL TO DUTY

Mr. Churchill added: "I know from talks I have had with Poles in Britain, how magnificent the mass of the Polish nation has answered the appeal to duty in the hour of need. We in this country who are conscious of our strength, built on the broad masses of the British nation, appreciate and admire the Polish nation for its noble attitude since the outbreak of the war."

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In the World of Sports



Eastgate Wins Open Sculls For Second Year In Royal H.K.Y.C. Rowing Regatta

G. L. EASTGATE WON THE OPEN SCULLS FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN SUCCESSION AT THE Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's Rowing Regatta off Middle Island on Saturday.

At the Kefte Island Clubhouse in the evening, Lady Grayburn, wife of Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, distributed the prizes won during the afternoon and also those won during the past season.

Following the distribution of (Presented by the Flag Officer) prizes, there was dancing till the early hours of the morning.

ROWING RESULTS

Results of the rowing regatta finals were:—

Junior International Fours: England (N. J. Booker, K. B. Nelson, W. K. Corneek and N. D. Booker) beat Holland (J. A. V. Muister v. Heuven, M. B. de Haan, K. Shouter and H. van Leeuwen) by 4 lengths. Time: 4 mins. 59 sec.

International Fours: Scandinavia (L. Ongstad and N. O. Christensen) beat England (B. S. Carter and J. E. Colls) by 2 lengths. Time: 4 mins. 50 sec.

Open Sculls (Final): G. L. Eastgate beat W. K. Corneek by 12 lengths. Time: 3 mins. 35 sec.

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Scratch Fours: 1, W. K. Corneek, J. A. V. Muister v. Heuven, B. de Haan and G. L. Eastgate; 2, L. Ongstad, J. Olsen, A. G. Daizel and K. B. Nelson; 3, A. H. Dinnen, P. Wilson, H. van Leeuwen and N. O. Christensen. Won by half length. Time: 4 mins. 33 sec.

PRIZE LIST

Following is the prize-list:—

Championships

Cruiser Class, Division 1—First Denison Cup and Silver Tankard

ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 10th May, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY "per the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21828).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th May, 1941.

MIDDLESEX AND S. CHINA DRAW

Friendly Soccer Encounter

After leading by three clear goals, MIDDLESEX were forced to a 3-all draw by SOUTH CHINA in a friendly football match played at Caroline Hill on Saturday afternoon when a memorial service for the late Mr. Chan Chep-wo (Darkie Chan), popular soccer star and a member of the Chinese Air Force, was held by the Hongkong alumni of the National Chinese University.

With a few players invited from other Clubs, South China had poor combination before the interval.

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Commodore's Cup Series (For Prizes kindly presented by the Flag Officers).

'A' Class.—Commodore's Prize—"Gull," S. K. Helberg; Vice-Commodore's Prize—"Gull," Capt. A. O. G. Mills; Third, Silver Ashtray—"Artemis," G. G. Wood; Mixed Classes—First, Bellicos Cup and Silver Tankard—"Alisa," R. A. Officers, Lyemun; Second, Pewter Tankard—"Joss," Major G. E. Neve; Third, Pewter Tankard—"Artemis," G. G. Wood; Mixed Classes—First, Silver Bowl—"Zephyr," Major C. Rochfort-Boyd; Vice-Commodore's Prize—"Wendy," H. W. Browne; Rear-Commodore's Prize—"Widgian," Major J. H. Brown.

1st Corinthian Series

'A' Class.—First, Silver Bowl—"Artemis," G. G. Wood; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Joss," Major G. E. Neve; Third, Pewter Tankard—"Gull," Capt. A. O. G. Mills; Mixed Classes—First, Silver Bowl—"Alisa," R. A. Officers, Lyemun; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Wendy," H. W. Browne.

2nd Corinthian Series

'A' Class.—First, Silver Bowl—"Linda," G. G. Wood; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Joss," Major G. E. Neve; Third, Pewter Tankard—"Artemis," G. G. Wood; Mixed Classes—First, Silver Bowl—"Wendy," H. W. Browne; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Alisa," R. A. Officers, Lyemun and "Owl," G. L. Eastgate.

Corinthian Championship

'A' Class.—Elliott Cup—"Artemis," G. G. Wood; Mixed Classes—Y. Matchbox—"Alisa," R. A. Officers, Lyemun.

Spring Series

'A' Class.—First, Silver Ashtray—"True Blue," L. Garner and Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Joss," Major G. E. Neve; Third, Pewter Tankard—"Red shank," Capt. J. Kroghmoe; Mixed Classes—First, Silver Ashtray—"Wendy," H. W. Browne; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Alisa," R. A. Officers, Lyemun and "Owl," G. L. Eastgate.

TAI YAT RACE—First, Tai Yat Cup and S. Ashtray—"La Linda," C. G. Blake and P. D. A. Chidell; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Joss," Major G. E. Neve; Third, Pewter Tankard—"Red shank," Capt. J. Kroghmoe; Third, Silver Ashtray—"Alisa," R. A. Officers, Lyemun.

JAN TROPHY (and Model in wood kindly presented by Captain J. Kroghmoe)—"Joss," Major G. E. Neve

Cruised Races

Corinthian Series—First, Silver Bowl—"Eveline," R. J. Minnitt; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Donna," E. Cock.

NIGHT RACE 5TH/6TH OCTOBER, 1940—Winner and only Yacht to finish the Course—"Curlew," P. Clarke.

Ladies' Championship

'A' Class.—First, Silver Ashtray—"True Blue," Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson; Second, Silver Ashtray—"Maureen," Mrs. J. G. Whittaker.

TROPHIES

Scandinavian Cup (Scandinavia v. Britain)—Britain: Club v. Army Club; Fisher Cup (Club v. R. Navy)—not contested; Inter-Service Ashtray (R. Navy v. Army)—not contested.

President's Trophy (Roger Lindell Cup)—E. Kern. Runner-up F. Goodwin; Club Championship—J. Fraser; Runner-up A. W. Ramsey; Handicap Singles—R. T. Broadbridge (plus 8); Runner-up J. Fraser (scr); Tyro Competition—R. T. Broadbridge; Runner-up W. W. Parsons; Handicap Pairs—P. Goodwin and R. S. Meadows; Runners-up G. E. Taylor and J. H. Hempsley; and Jack Hirst Shield—Winning Rink J. Hempsley, A. H. Martin, L. Jack and A. W. Ramsey.

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BRITISH CRICKET SEASON OPENS

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—Instead of the usual heralding trumpets, the cricket season made a modest beginning with several minor matches in which the London Fire Service, taking a well-earned relaxation, again stole the limelight by opening the season at Lord's cricket's headquarters, against Reading University who won by seven.

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BRIDGE

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COMING EVENTS

May
5-Tides: High 5.58 a.m. and 3.07 p.m. Low: 1.53 a.m. and 11.07 p.m. Sunrise: 5.49 a.m. Sunset: 6.38 p.m. St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work

10 a.m. Annual Meeting of Mackintosh's ltd., followed by Extraordinary Alexandra Bldg., 5 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Bridge Drive, 8.30 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

6-Tides: High 4.47 a.m. and 4.37 p.m. Low: 10.47 a.m. and 11.58 p.m. Sunrise: 5.48 a.m. Sunset: 6.38 p.m. St. Andrew's Parish Social, Farewell to Dean Wilson, 8.45 p.m.

Urban Council Meeting, Post Office Bldg., 4.15 p.m.

Rotary Club Tiffin, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.

Prayer and Fellowship meeting, S. and S. Home, 8.30 p.m.

H.K. Philatelic Society Annual Dinner.

Cheerio Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m. 7-Tides: High 6.26 a.m. and 2.58 p.m. Low: 12.14 a.m.

Sunrise: 5.45 a.m. Sunset: 6.53 p.m. Annual Meeting of Douglas Steamship Company, F. and O. Bldg., 11 a.m.

8-Tides: High 7.01 a.m. and 7.13 p.m. Low: 12.44 a.m. and 1.17 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.47 a.m. Sunset: 6.53 p.m. H.K. Eugenic League, Gloucester Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Presentation to Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, 6.15 p.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

9-Tides: High 7.40 a.m. and 8.17 p.m. Low: 1.26 a.m. and 2.18 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.47 a.m. Sunset: 6.43 p.m. Intercession Service, St. Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m.

10-Tides: High 8.18 a.m. and 8.18 p.m. Low: 2.04 a.m. and 2.56 p.m.

Sunrise: 5.46 a.m. Sunset: 6.54 p.m.

Women's Advisory Committee of New Life Movement, Roller Skating Contest, Kowloon Skating Rink.

Softball League Dance, Peninsular Hotel.

Fifth Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club.

TWO MAGISTRATES COMMENDED

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Central)—The National Government yesterday issued a mandate commanding Mr. Chang Tze-woo and Mr. Cheng Hsiao-yin, respectively magistrates of Changsha and Mengyin in Shantung, for their efforts in peace maintenance and defence of their districts against Japanese invasion.

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Radio Programmes

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—I Can't Get You out of my Mind; Quick-Step—Hold Tight—

Jack Hylton and His Orchestra

Tango—Caro Marti; Monika—Barnabas von Geczy and His Orchestra

Fox-Trot—Two Little Flies on a Lump of Sugar; Just A'Wearify for You—Jack Jackson and His Orchestra

Slow Fox-Trot—Little Gypsy of the Seven Seas—The Organ, the

Dance Band and Me. Quick-Step—

On the Isle of May; Waltz—When

Our Dreams Grow Old—Joe Loss and His Band.

1.00 Local Time Signal and An-

nouncements.

2.02 This week's programmes.

3.05 Emil Roos and his Orchestra

Serenade from "Frasquita" (Lehar).

Valentina (Wright-Dunn); Moonish

Music (Mohr).

3.15 Charlie Kunz at the Piano and

the Mills Brothers.

Vocal—Sleepy Head (film "Operator

13"); Put on Your Old Grey Bonnet (Murphy and Wenrich)—The Mills

Brothers. Piano—Kunz Revivals No.

2. Intro: I Never Realised; Birth of

the Blues; Pink Elephants; Rose in

the Bud; Speak to me of Love; Some-

day I'll find You—Charlie Kunz.

Vocal—Star Dust (Carmichael and

others)—The Mills Brothers. Piano—

Kunz Revivals, No. 3. Intro: Poor

Blushing; After You've Gone; Whis-

pering; Alice Blue Gown; Just a lit-

tle Love, a little Kiss; The Chocolate

Soldier Waltz—Charlie Kunz. Vocal—

Funiculì Funiculà (Denza); Asleep

in the Deep (Petrile, Lamb)—The

Mills Brothers.

3.45 to 10.00 News in French (on

Short Wave Only).

3.45 Concert Waltzes.

Farmyard Waltz (Folk Tune);

Springtime Waltz (Composer Un-

known)—Continental Novelty Orches-

tra. When the Lemon Bloom

(Johann Strauss)—Johann Strauss

and Symphony Orchestra. Souvenir

Fleur. (Composer Unknown)—Nullo

Roman and His Orchestra.

10.00 London Relay—"News from

Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 New Dance Music with

Variety.

Fox-Trot—Oh! Look at me now;

You might have belonged to another

Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.

Vocal—A Little Old Church in Eng-

land (Irving Berlin)—Barry Wood

(Baritone), with Orchestra. Fox-Trot—

Jenny (film "Lady in the Dark")

—Leo Reisman and His Orchestra.

Vocal—I Can't Love You Any More

(Magidson, Wrubel); "Imagination

(Van Heusen)—Babe Daniels w. Orch.

Fox-Trot—What Makes a Song; The

Last Time I Saw Paris—Leo Reisman

and His Orchestra. Vocal—America!

I Love You (Leslie Gitter)—Barry

Wood (Baritone) w. Orch. Waltz—

Down the Gypsy Trail (Im

Testacy); Fox-Trot—Along the Santa

Fe Trail (from the film)—Swing and

Sway with Sammy Kaye. Vocal and

Piano—Sweet Little Sweetheart

(McIntire and Alligire)—Turner Layton.

Fox-Trot—Sunset at Sea; That's My

Way of Saying I Love You—Swing and

Sway with Sammy Kaye.

1.32 Mendelssohn—Concerto in E

Minor, Op. 64

1st Mov.: Allegro molto appassiona-

to; 2nd Mov.: Andante; 3rd Mov.:

Allegretto non troppo—Fritz Kreisler

(Violin) and the State Opera Orches-

tra.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.30 London Relay—"Questions of

the Hour."

7.30 Eileen Joyce (Piano) and Pau

Casals (Cello).

(a) Si oiseau j'étais, a tel je valerais

(Bird study) (Henselt); (b) En Route

(concert study) (Fallingen) — La

Danse d'Or (Bartók); Pick—Man-

glagall)—Eileen Joyce (Piano). Apres

un Reve (Faure); A Village Song

(Popper)—Pau Casals (Cello) with

piano. (c) Trois Danse (Cello) with

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GALLANT REARGUARD ACTION OF ANZAC BRIGADE AGAINST BIG ODDS

Official Account Of Retreat From Greece

LONDON, May 4 (Reuters) — How a small Anzac force, fighting against a greatly superior enemy force, held a gorge in the region of Mount Olympus while the main body of the British Imperial Forces withdrew, is one of many tales of heroism which appear through the terse technical phraseology of the official account of the fighting in Greece published by the War Office.

In this "gallant rearguard action" about one brigade of Anzacs blocked the gorge against two German divisions—odds which can be roughly estimated at about 10 to one.

This is how the War Office tells but it became apparent that a stand could not be made indefinitely against the greatly superior German numbers.

On April 15, a small New Zealand force which held the eastern entrance to Penelos Gorge, south of Mount Olympus, was heavily engaged by a greatly superior enemy force and driven back.

Next day two battalions of an Australian brigade went to its support.

This small Anzac force, of about 6,000 men, fought two German divisions in Penelos Gorge. Its losses were heavy but the withdrawal was secured on our right flank.

EARLIER EPISODE

An earlier episode in the same account tells of an attempt by the Imperial forces to stop the rot which developed after the collapse of Yugoslav resistance in the south by barring German egress from Monastir Gap.

By the evening of April 7 the disaster to the Yugoslav forces was apparent and the threat to Monastir Gap had become a reality.

A small reserve, under a brigadier, consisting of a machine-gun battalion and some medium artillery, was formed near Amintion, south of Florina.

Next morning General Mackay was sent with his divisional headquarters, one artillery and one anti-tank regiment and an Australian brigade less one battalion, to augment this force, which remained in the neighbourhood of Amintion to await the Germans.

On April 9 the Germans appeared south of Florina and hotly attacked General Mackay's force during this and next day.

HEAVY CASUALTIES

The Imperial forces inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy.

EXTENSION OF CONFLICT TO PACIFIC

Rumours Played Up By Batavia Press

BATAVIA, May 4 (Reuters) — Rumours that the European war might soon extend to the Pacific were played up by the Batavia newspapers yesterday, especially in view of reports from the United States indicating America is determined to carry out aid to Britain to the fullest extent, even at the risk of war, says a Japanese report.

Citing the United States decision on the neutrality patrol system and the German threat to sink all ships in combat zones, the "Batavia Nieuwsbald" predicts that fighting between the United States and Germany may take place sooner than generally expected.

The Java Bode says that if the United States enters the war Japan will then be forced to fulfil her obligations as a military partner of the Axis powers.

MASS AIR RAID ON CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuters) — The Sino-British Boxer Fund Board building was demolished and the press hostel badly damaged at noon yesterday when 81 Japanese aircraft subjected Chungking to the first bombing this year.

The raiders rained down bombs on the downtown district and the western suburbs.

The Japanese aircraft, in spread-eagle formation, rained bombs across the city without interference from Chinese fighters, which did not appear though anti-aircraft fire was very heavy.

The western suburbs were particularly heavily bombed. Several fires were started but all were quickly controlled.

JAPANESE CABINET CRISIS?

SHANGHAI, May 4 (Reuters) — The Japanese Cabinet, which, according to the correspondent of the Independent French Agency, was to hold a special meeting yesterday, is expected in well-informed circles to take important decisions with regard to Japanese action in Indo-China.

The Soviet-Japanese Pact was expected to be violently attacked by the Japanese army and navy representatives who were to attend the Cabinet meeting.

The correspondent adds that the recent decision of Moscow to forbid the transit of war material is likely to give further weight to the arguments of those who oppose closer relations with the Soviets.

ENEMY AIR LOSSES IN THE MIDDLE EAST

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuters) — The R.A.F. destroyed 12 enemy aircraft in the Middle East in the week ending May 1.

This was lower than the previous week but the number of aircraft destroyed on the ground was considerable.

British losses in the whole Mediterranean area, Abyssinia and Malta were 10.

Oil tankers were destroyed at El Argub, 80 miles from Benghazi, while in the Sollum area heavy casualties were inflicted on German troops near Gambut.

In East Africa, the aerodromes at Bentiu and Derna were repeatedly raided with considerable casualties to troop-carriers and troops.

The aerodromes at Kombolcha, Macaaca, Gimma and Fandeho were also raided.

Fifty direct hits were observed on an enemy fortress at the Pass of Falas.

NIGHT RAIDS

Four heavy night raids were carried out on Benghazi harbour.

During April 23 enemy aircraft were shot down by fighters of the Middle East Command, and British losses were 58 in the Western Desert. A total of 123 enemy aircraft was destroyed in East Africa against a loss of 54 by the R.A.F.

H.M.S. DIAMOND LOST IN ACTION OFF GREECE: CASUALTIES FEARED HIGH

LONDON, May 4 (Reuters) — The British destroyers Diamond, of 1,375 tons, formerly on the China Station, and Wryneck, 908 tons, were attacked by German dive-bombers and sunk during the evacuation of Greece, states an Admiralty communiqué.

On the night of April 25/26, 13,500 men were withdrawn from the Raptis and Nauplia areas. A transport loaded with troops was bombed and set on fire, and Diamond at once went to the rescue.

The destroyer was continually attacked from the air but she picked up 600 men.

Diamond was joined by Wryneck and the latter rescued 100 men and then the Diamond torpedoed the burning and wrecked transport as she was a danger to shipping and a torch for dive-bombers.

Next morning both destroyers, having left Nauplia, were attacked by dive-bombers and sunk.

It is feared casualties were heavy, though 50 were picked up by a third destroyer and at least one boat is believed to have reached the Greek shore.

"ALMOST A MIRACLE"

Dunkirk had come to be regarded as the greatest combined evacuation operation in the history of warfare but in Greece the Navy had to go in and take out, almost with any protection against dive-bombers, 45,000 men, said the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, in a speech yesterday.

"I regard it as almost a miracle that in this last evacuation we lost only two destroyers," he said.

CRITICAL PERIOD

Britain was now facing the early days of the most critical period of the war, he continued, and had to meet new problems in the Atlantic and the Mediterranean, and even in the Persian Gulf.

Faith in the ultimate result was strengthened by the resources of the growing arsenal in the United States and he seemed to see signs they were coming near the time when, if necessary, the United States would throw the whole of her weight into the struggle.

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GENERAL

HUGE MANILA CONFLAGRATION: THOUSANDS RENDERED DESTITUTE

MANILA, May 4 (Reuters) — A huge area in the suburbs of Manila, near to the Pasay River, was devastated yesterday afternoon by a fire which swept out of control in a steady wind and rendered more than 6,000 persons homeless.

Flames were leaping hundreds of feet into the air, engulfing Filipino wooden houses at the rate of one a minute for several hours, and raging through timber yards along the river.

The United States 35th Infantry was turned out to assist the Manila fire-fighters to combat the flames, but there were neither enough fire appliances nor firemen to deal with a task of such magnitude.

At one time it seemed certain that a large hospital would become involved and 35 ambulances were prepared to carry away the patients, but when the situation seemed hopeless, the wind changed direction and the holocaust swept diagonally to the north along the Bay.

By a strange coincidence, it was exactly four years to the day yesterday when a fire of almost similar dimensions broke out in the same area.

REPEATED EXPLOSIONS

During the afternoon, repeated explosions, for no known cause, were heard from the centre of the great conflagration. A large party of firemen concentrated on saving a number of large petrol tanks in the danger zone.

Fugitives from the devastated area are being cared for by the Red Cross. Hundreds of them spent yesterday afternoon kneeling along the banks of the river praying.

Bombs were also dropped at other widely separated points but these did little damage and caused very few casualties.

Liverpool was the principal object of attack by bomber formations of the Luftwaffe, says the official German news agency.

Other German attacks, it adds, were directed against various towns on the south-east coast.

ROMA, May 4 (Reuters) —

A decree issued here announces that Italy has annexed the north-west portion of Yugoslavia. The area will be ruled by a High Commissioner appointed by Mussolini.

Official languages will be Slovene and Italian.

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SHANGHAI, May 4 (Reuters) —

Nearly four months after his abduc-

tion, Pan Tse-chuen, com-

pradore of Jardine's, has been

released and is now en route to

Hongkong, states the Shanghai

Evening Post and Mercury yes-

terday. The paper adds it is be-

lieved a large sum, probably \$1,

000,000, was paid as ransom to the

kidnappers.

BATAVIA, May 4 (Reuters) —

Dr. van Kleefens, Foreign Minis-

ter, and Charles Weiler, Colonial

Minister in the Netherlands Gov-

ernment in London, who went

to Sourabaya on May 1, are ex-

pected to arrive in Sydney on May

12, accompanied by J. H. Ritman,

the Government spokesman, says a

Japanese report quoted by Reu-

ter.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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There are vacancies in the Medical Department of the University of Hong Kong for the following:

Lecturer in Parasitology at a salary \$4,800 per annum. Assistant in Medical Entomology at a salary of \$3,600 per annum.

Applications should be in the hands of the Registrar not later than Monday, 10th May, 1941.

STANLEY V. BOXER,
Registrar.

30th April, 1941.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC. "A"

TENDERS for DOLLARS current in this Colony, for telegraphic transfer, on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, up to and for the sum of £150,000, will be received by the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, until 10.15 a.m. on the 5th May, 1941.

The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling). No telegraphic transfer will be made for less than £100, but tenders for sums above that amount to suit the convenience of the tenderers will be considered.

The tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, and endorsed 'Tenders for Government Bills, etc.'

The right is reserved (1) to accept or reject any or all of the tenders, and, in particular (2) in case of equality of rate between tenders amounting in all to more than the total sum required, to give preference to any tenders received from Government Institutions or from the bankers to the Treasury Chest.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that having regard to the provisions of the Acts 22 George III Cap. 45 and 41 George III Cap. 52 the acceptance of any such Tender is subject to the express condition that no Member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in or to any benefit to arise from the Contract thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills)."

The provisions in question do not apply to Contracts entered into by any incorporated Company in its corporate capacity and made for the general benefit of the Company."

N. FORDE,
Colonel, R.A.P.C.
Treasury Chest Officer,
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Hong Kong.

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YUNNAN DETERMINED TO RESIST

The determination of Yunnan to resist any possible Japanese invasion was voiced by General Lung Yun, Chairman of the Yunnan Provincial Government, in a speech delivered at the 30th anniversary meeting of the National Tsinghua University.

Gen. Lung declared that irrespective of the Japanese moves in south or the north, he has followed them with the closest attention. If the Japanese should dare to encroach upon Yunnan, he asserted, as the responsible official of the Province, he is resolutely determined to resist such an encroachment.

Gen. Lung assured his audience that in the event of an emergency arising on the Yunnan border, he would consider it his first duty to afford adequate protection to all the government universities removed here from other parts of the country.

General Lung remarked that in view of the remarkable progress now being made in the fields of political and military affairs, it is by no means impossible that the 31st anniversary of the University may be held at its original seat in the Old Capital. (Central News).

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 2nd May to Wednesday, the 7th May, 1941 both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., LTD.
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Hong Kong, 24th April, 1941.

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CONSTRUCTIVE CHANGES

THE BRITISH CABINET changes which were announced last week have been heartily welcomed, not because there was any pandering to the critics, who find reasons where none exist for demanding that fresh blood is necessary to meet every development in the progress of the war, but because it anticipates the more sensible view that production should be keyed up to keep pace with the increased tempo of the hostilities. Regarded in this light, the changes are primarily constructive, and while the constitution of the War Cabinet itself has not been outwardly altered, the Press at Home makes the point that the re-arrangement is a partial admission by the Prime Minister of the advisability of having a smaller body in full control so as to be able to deal with problems in a quicker and more clear-cut manner. In view of the forthcoming debate on the war situation this week—a debate which, it is confidently felt, will concern itself more with the technical and industrial side of the war rather than with criticism of the military programme—Mr. Churchill's move has borne out his own advice of the need there is to maintain a sense of proportion in the present situation and members of Parliament have been given a guiding factor on which their views should now be based.

ONE of the most important aspects of democratic rule is the limitations which the administration has to work under in bringing about changes in ministerial appointments in order to heighten the productive and industrial effort and in taking such action as is calculated to make this possible. Always the feelings and opinion of the people, as expressed by their representatives in the House of Commons, have to be given every consideration before such action is made absolute. This is where the Totalitarian states hold an advantage, since dictatorships make it possible for the heads of these states to decree what they want without any reference to public opinion and any decision taken by them is, in nearly every instance, ruthlessly put into action, by force if necessary. In order to overcome this disadvantage, the British Government itself has advisedly shelved many constitutional rights in order to expedite action in a situation of emergency, but frank criticism of its policy and constant endeavours to meet the wishes of the public still form an integral part of British administration.

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EDITORIAL

DANCE HALL LICENCE FEES REVISED

The cost of licences of public dance halls is varied under an amendment published in the Government Gazette.

From a comparison with the Miscellaneous Licences Ordinance of 33, the schedule of which has been amended, it appears that a new policy has been adopted inasmuch that dancing halls are now classified according to districts—the most populous or central being charged more for licences—instead of grouping all dance halls under a flat annual fee of \$120.

NEW SCHEDULE

The new schedule is: Public dance-hall (in Victoria) graded as follows:

Central District.—The area bounded on the north by the Harbour, on the east by Arsenal Street, on the South by Queen's Road East, Garden Road, Upper Albert Road and Caine Road, and on the west of Ladder Street and Cleverly Street—annual licence \$1,200.

Western District.—The whole of the City of Victoria to the West of Cleverly Street and Ladder Street and to the north of Bonham Road—annual licence \$600.

Wanchai District.—The area bounded on the north by the Harbour, on the east by Percival Street, on the south by Leighton Hill Road, Morrison Hill Road, Gap Road and Queen's Road East, and on the west by Arsenal Street—annual licence \$300.

Public dance-hall (in Kowloon or New Kowloon) annual fee \$500.

Extension of time in Victoria, Kowloon or New Kowloon \$20 for an hour and \$50 for two hours.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced at the Registry, Supreme Court, on Saturday:

Gunner John Gilmore, of the Royal Artillery, Stanley Barracks, and Miss Irene Yit-hoy, of No. 234 Electric Road;

Mr. Albert Edward McDonough, store accountant, War Department, of No. 41 Morrison Hill Road, and Miss Agnes Mary Dains, nurse, of the French Hospital;

Mr. Lee Shing-tin, merchant, of No. 2A Cleverly Street, and Miss Chow Nun-ying, student, of No. 64 Bonham Strand East;

Mr. Lee Shing-tin, merchant, of No. 173 Wing Lok Street, and Miss Luk Soo-mei, of No. 265 Jaff-Road;

Mr. Henry William Ky-ling, merchant, of No. 542 Nathan Road, and Miss Pearl Han, of No. 13 Nga Tsin Long Road.

He has come to look upon as his second-in-command. No indication has been given of the scope of Lord Beaverbrook's new duties, but his release from an office which was concerned with only one phase of war production must be taken to mean that he will be given authority, as the Daily Mail dramatically puts it, to throw himself into the battle wherever it is hottest. In other words, Lord Beaverbrook, as Minister of State, will hold carte blanche to bring about a speed-up of production in every sphere, whether it be in the turning out of aircraft, tanks, guns and other materials necessary for the prosecution of the war. To achieve this successfully, complete industrial conscription will become more and more necessary and, despite the minority opposition to such a sweeping measure, particularly where women doing war work are concerned, the common sense view of the necessity will ultimately prevail, even if it means the disappearance of trade unionism for the duration of the war.

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"We now have a much clearer picture of the position in the Atlantic than we had a week ago, and it seems possible that we may soon have an official British review of the whole position in that area," said MR. H. C. FEATHERBY, B.B.C. naval commentator, when he broadcast from London yesterday, comparing the position of the Battle of the Atlantic with the last war.

Mr. Featherby, referring to the sinking of British merchant ships by German U-boats and surface raiders, emphasised the necessity of withholding such details as might prove useful to the enemy. The British successes hitherto, in protecting the passage of convoys, were due to the fact that the enemy was kept in ignorance of the details of sinkings.

IMPORTANT STEPS

"But he can still continue his campaign," said Mr. Featherby, "and our anxiety to know what is happening must not allow us to assist him in renewing his efforts. We have, therefore, taken important steps which will add to the difficulty of the enemy."

The Government has decided that informant of losses of ships shall be made public only once a month instead of once a week. This will make it hard for the Germans to know where and how successfully these ships were attacked. We should realise that when the next figures of losses are announced, the change of system means that we shall get figures for thirty days instead of seven—that is to say that the total would be much bigger than what we have been accustomed to in a week.

The figures of sinkings during March were 98,000 tons for the first week, 145,000 tons for the second week, 72,000 tons for the third week, and 77,000 tons for the fourth week. The losses, therefore, ranged from 72,000 tons to 145,000 tons for each week's total. If you add them together you will get a total of 392,000 tons.

TURN FOR BETTER

"Now, 392,000 tons will seem to you a lot more than you have been accustomed to receive, but you must remember that when the April figures are announced, they will represent four weeks' sinkings; and, if you will divide the total by four, you will get the figures to which you are accustomed. We should understand this point clearly as otherwise the monthly total may give the impression that our losses have increased enormously and that things have taken a turn for the worse in the Atlantic.

"So far from taking a turn for the worse, things in the Atlantic have taken a decided and, I may say, a decisive, turn for the better. The decision of the United States to extend its naval patrol is a big factor in our favour. It puts the Germans in the most extraordinary dilemma. Will the people of the United States allow the sinking of one of their warships to go unpunished?

U.S. PATEGES

"This paroling work is much bigger work than most people realise," continued Mr. Featherby. "Most people visualise it as a

WBA SIGNAL OF NAVY

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—"Stop! Don't lower the boats. Don't scuttle. Don't use the radio. If you disobey I open fire!"

That is the meaning of the signal "WBA" in International code which British warships henceforth will make to enemy ships.

At the request of the Admiralty, a warning to this effect was broadcast to the world by British stations yesterday.

CHUNGKING RAIDS

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuter)—Five persons were killed, 11 injured and 50 houses demolished in yesterday's raids on Chungking. Fires were put quickly under control, states an official communiqué.

Sixty-three Japanese aircraft in two groups participated, the first group comprising of 54 and the second group of nine bombers.

After dropping more than 200 bombs, the raiders disappeared to the east.

INFORMED HOUR BY HOUR



CABLE SITUATION IN BAGHDAD REPORTED TO BE QUIET

Swift R.A.F. Retaliation For Habbaniyah Shelling

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—It was learned that fighting is still continuing in Iraq. The R.A.F. retaliated against the Iraqi troops shelling Habbaniyah and silenced some of the guns.

Basra is quiet but there is no news of conditions in Baghdad. Habbaniyah is the only place where actual operations have occurred.

With reference to reports that interfere with the Mosul oilfields, it is pointed out in London that plans to meet such an emergency were prepared long ago.

All is quiet in Baghdad, according to information received from the British Ambassador there, Sir Kenan Cornwallis. It was officially stated in London yesterday.

While the situation there is tense no incident hitherto has occurred.

Appeals to the Iraqi people to take up arms against Britain have been broadcast by Baghdad radio according to a message to the Vichy news agency.

DROME BOMBED

Iraqi planes on Friday night bombed the R.A.F. aerodrome at Habbaniyah, according to a communiqué issued in Baghdad quoted by the Vichy news agency.

The communiqué continues:

"Enemy planes flew over Rashed camp near Baghdad at 10.50 this morning and bombed troop concentrations. Later another group of planes again bombed the camp."

Another Baghdad communiqué states the oil wells and refineries at Kirkuk, Hanikin and Gayra have been seized as well as stations along the pipeline.

The position of the Iraqi Legation in London is not affected.

It is understood only part of the Iraqi army is fighting the British.

IRAQI COMMUNIQUE

An official communiqué issued by the Rashid All Government in Baghdad, as reported by the official Italian news agency, claims that an attempt by British motorised troops to seize a desert aerodrome and post at Rutbah, in Iraq, was repulsed.

Rutbah is opposite the Syrian Desert, some 220 miles east of

Dakkar. It is understood the British forces are adequate and fully safeguarded.

ROYAL FAMILY AT VARIETY SHOW

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—King George and the Queen, with the two Princesses, enjoyed a hearty laugh yesterday at a variety show for the troops "somewhere in Britain."

Stage and film comedian George Formby was the principal artiste.

The Royal party joined with the audience in singing a number of choruses.

WILLKIE SAYS

Must Get Goods Delivered To Britain

WASHINGTON, May 4 (Reuter)—"We have got to get the goods delivered to Britain and the administration's sea patrol is inadequate," said Mr. Wendell Willkie at a Press conference. "The rate of sinkings is so serious that we should protect our cargoes of food

If he were President, he would have the service of experts to advise him on the best methods of protecting shipments.

"I am absolutely in favour of delivering goods, whether by convoy, aeroplane accompaniment, or any other method deemed best."

Discussing the public reaction to his recent article in the suggestion to "give Britain ships till it hurts," Mr. Willkie said he found the people confused, searching earnestly and hoping that the administration will give them information and leadership. The people were walking in the dark and unable to find the direction in which to go until they were given facts.

LINDBERGH INCIDENT

Referring to the recent incident between President Roosevelt and Col. Charles Lindbergh, he added that he was certain that they could convince all Americans their foreign policy right and wise if they kept the channels of public discussion free and unclogged of the bitterness of their personal re-creations.

It is authoritatively reported that Mr. Willkie has sent a message to President Roosevelt offering to support him in any move to ensure the delivery of goods to Britain.

Mr. Willkie later left for South Africa.

Meanwhile there are indications in the Capital that Congress will hear the increasing demands for American convoys.

Senator Guffey voiced a plea on Thursday and Senator Pepper intends doing likewise in the Senate on Monday.

NEW RECORD

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The Air Ministry frankly states that the raid on the Mersey-side was "very heavy" and sustained.

Reports indicate that the number of casualties is likely to be large. Much damage was done.

MUCH DAMAGE

Although considerable damage was caused during the attacks on the South and North-East coast towns, casualties were not heavy. Elsewhere in Britain, though bombs were dropped at many points, damage was not great and the number of casualties not large, says the Air Ministry communiqué.

British night fighters took a swift, toll of the raiders. Four German bombers were shot down before midnight. Altogether 12 were destroyed during the night. This brings the total of German bombers destroyed over Britain during the first three nights this month to 16.

ON OTHER SIDE

R. A. F. bombers took part in a raid on the other side of the

BURNING OF SQUATTERS' HUTS: LETTER SENT TO GOVERNMENT

BY A STAFF REPORTER

In a special interview with the Hongkong Daily Press on Saturday, HON. SIR ROBERT KOTEWALL, Chinese Member of the Executive Council, was asked whether, in view of the growing resentment against the high-handed methods adopted by the "health" or "sanitary" department officials when clearing out squatters' settlements, the Chinese representatives on both Councils intend to take this matter up with Government.

Sir Robert replied, "Immediately after I read the account in the Hongkong Daily Press, on Friday, I wrote to the Government inquiring whether it was true that the household goods, in

addition to the squatters' huts, were destroyed by the health or sanitary department."

Shown copies of the letters received by the Hongkong Daily Press—one of which was published in our issue of Saturday—in which the burning of the huts, without previous notice to the occupants, was strongly condemned, Sir Robert, when asked for his opinion of the method adopted, said, "I am sorry but I have to refrain from making any comments until I am in possession of all the facts."

Sir Robert was then asked whether he had heard that whatever was saved by the squatters from their huts was snatched away and thrown back into the fire by the "raiders."

Sir Robert, despite his usual equanimity, was mildly shocked on hearing this. He said, however, that he had not heard and sincerely hoped that it was not true.

Feelings of pity for the squatters, mingled with incredulity that what happened did actually happen, were evident in Sir Robert's voice when he discussed the matter with the pressman.

MONEY DISTRIBUTED

About 8 p.m. on Saturday, a Chinese gentleman, dressed in foreign-style trousers and a sports shirt, was seen at the squatters' settlement, Tai Hang Village, distributing money to those whose huts, and worldly possessions, were destroyed by the fire last Monday afternoon. He refused to reveal his identity, in spite of repeated requests for his name made by the squatters.

MENZIES SAYS

Women Conducting Vast War Organisation

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—"If someone asked me to say quickly what my outstanding impression of Britain is today" said MR. R. G. MENZIES, the Australian Premier, in a broadcast, "I would think of many things: Mr. Churchill, the resolute and supremely eloquent embodiment of the British fighting spirit; the splendid boys in blue of the R.A.F., the factories surrounded in some cases by the work people's shattered homes, roaring out their busy answer to the enemy—but above all, of Britain's women."

"Is it possible that not long ago we thought of them as the weaker sex in the passive role of men must work and women must weep?"

"But what do we find now?"

"Women conducting a vast war organisation with conspicuous success and also achieving amazing marvels in war workshops. It marks the beginning of a new era which will usher in enormous social and other changes about which we can only speculate."

"From the Queen, whose cheerful and brave smile has brought comfort to thousands of people in wrecked homes down to the humblest woman of the East End, the breed runs true."

**AUSTRALIAN ENVOY
TO CHINA**

SYDNEY, May 4 (Reuter)—"I hope to be able to make an announcement regarding the appointment of a Minister to China at an early date," declared the Minister of External Affairs, Sir Frederick Stewart, who added that the Government has been giving consideration to the matter.

U.S. ENVOY

CHUNGKING, May 4 (Reuter)—The retiring United States Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson who has spent 33 years in China, is going the rounds of dinners and receptions in his honour given by Government leaders and public organisations.

"I shall return to China and I shall carry China with me wherever I go," he declared.

SQUADRONS FROM ABYSSINIA

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

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PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Monday, the 5th May, 1941.
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Hawker Road, Kowloon

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND SUNDRIES.

Terms: Cash on Delivery

LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Administrator, Supreme Court,

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Monday, the 5th May, 1941.
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at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, Central, Second Floor, Room No. 205.

The Effects of the late Mr. G. S. Edmondson

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THE Undersigned have received from the Liquidators and others

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Wednesday, the 7th May, 1941.
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at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road, Central, 2nd Floor.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

comprising:

Teakwood Bed Room, Dining Room, Drawing Room and Rattan Furniture, Ornaments, Porcelain, Glass, Brass and E. P. Ware, Gramophones & Records, Electric Lamps & Fans, Pictures, Tennis & Badminton Rackets, Golf Clubs, Cooking Utensils, etc., etc.

also

A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD FURNITURE

and

- 5 Carpets
2 Canvas Canoes
1 Surf Board
2 Steel Beds
1 Bicycle
1 Iron Safe & Stand
1 "Frigidaire" Refrigerator
1 "Underwood" Typewriter 14"
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1 "Pilot" Radio
1 "Dover" Stove

On View from Tuesday,
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H.K. VOLUNTEER ORDERS

(CONTINUED FROM SATURDAY)

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JORDAN RD. MOTOR COLLISION

Cpl. G. J. Fuller, of the 12th Heavy Battery, R. A., and a lady companion, riding pillion, were heavily thrown to the ground when the motor-cycle on which they were riding collided with a taxi at a junction in Jordan Road on Saturday night.

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Leave

Gnr. D. Lyen, 1st Bty., 28441-

2541; Gnr. C. Armpathy, 2nd Bty.,

17441-18541; Gnr. R. H. Blake, 2nd

Bty., 24441-13541; Gnr. N. H. France,

2nd Bty., 2541-4541; Gnr. F. M. Gar-

cia, 3rd Bty., 28441-2541; Bdr. P. F.

dos S. Xavier, 3rd Bty., 13.641-22.641;

Gnr. F. L. Rocha, 4th Bty., 15.441-

14.541; Gnr. Yeung Koon-yuk, 4th

Bty., 24.441-29.441; Gnr. H. Tang, 4th

Bty., 23.441-19.541; Gnr. G. H. Ca-

therine, 5th AA Bty., 21.441-20.741;

Sgt. W. L. Ramsey, Fd. Coy. Engrs.,

1.541-30.641; Sgt. W. E. F. Hitchins,

Fd. Coy. Engrs., 2.541-21.841; Capt.

F. A. Redmond, Fd. Coy. Engrs., 5.541-

12.541; Sgt. W. O. Franklin, Corps

Signals, 3.541-28.441; C.Q.M.S. V. C.

Labrum, Corps H.Q., 6.541-8.541; Pte.

V. A. Novikov, Mob. Coln., 7.441-14.542;

Pte. G. Fouldard, Mob. Coln., 11.441-

11.541; Sgt. H. P. Hopkins, Mob. Coln.,

16.441-25.541; 2/Lt. W. Stoker, 28.441-

11.541; Pte. L. A. Dabelson, Mob.

Coln., 28.441-3.541; Pte. H. H. Ar-

drews, Mob. Coln., 1.541-30.541; Pte.

B. J. Brown, Mob. Coln., 1.541-11.541;

Pte. A. Ostromoff, Mob. Coln., 17.541-

18.541; Pte. V. Voroboff, Mob. Coln.,

17.541-18.541; L/Cpl. D. R. Holmes,

No. 1 Coy., 28.441-45.541; L/Cpl. B. F.

Jones, No. 1 Coy., 30.441-21.541;

Pte. H. J. Crutwell, No. 1 Coy., 15.441-

30.541; Pte. K. S. Kjaer, No. 1 Coy.,

5.541-25.541; Dmr. W. R. Forsyth, No.

2 Coy., 10.441-22.541; Pte. W. D.

Wheeler, No. 3 Coy., 1.541-31.541; Pte.

S. B. Iratt, No. 3 Coy., 1.541-30.541;

C.Q.M.S. R. E. Stott, No. 4 Coy.,

23.441-29.441; Pte. F. M. N. da Silva,

No. 5 Coy., 16.441-14.541; Pte. M.

DAL Remedios, No. 5 Coy., 23.441-

15.441; Pte. B. T. Gisano, No. 5 Coy.,

23.441-22.541; Pte. F. J. Colaco, No. 5

Company, 23.441-1.541; Pte. R. L.

Perrira, No. 5 Company, 24.441-3.541;

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recruits now and shall need them

in the future."

Mr. Spender said married men

without families or with small

families would be accepted and the

Government hoped also that the

military forces would furnish big

quotas of recruits for the A.I.F.

MODERN LARGE CARS

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Determined Assault On The Defences Of Tobruk: Enemy Repelled With Huge Losses

CAIRO, May 4 (Reuter)—The enemy again made a determined effort against the defences of Tobruk on Friday, states yesterday's G.H.Q. communiqué.

Although a large number of tanks were employed, the British troops held their ground and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.

Before nightfall enemy pressure in Abyssinia have reached a point 50 miles north of Deesse.

In the 'Sulium' after a British mechanised column, after making a wide detour, surprised a considerable body of the enemy. A number of prisoners were captured, together with a field-gun.

In other sectors of this area British patrolling activities were continued.

In Abyssinia further progress has been made in the advance upon Amba Alagi.

WALDIA OCCUPIED

British columns operating from the north on Friday captured a commanding feature overlooking the main position, while the southern column occupied Waldia, 50 miles north of Deesse.

Thursday's Axis attack on Tobruk, which cost the enemy 11 tanks and heavy casualties, was followed by a further assault on Friday.

The enemy infantry were held up by our artillery fire from new lines of defence, with many casualties.

It is stated in Cairo that it is probably the defence of Tobruk which is holding up the enemy advance on the Egyptian border.

NAIROBI COMMUNIQUÉ

A communiqué issued in Nairobi states that the Imperial forces in

AUSTRALIAN WAR DRIVE

INDUSTRY CONTROL TO BE TIGHTENED

CANBERRA, May 4 (Reuter)—Strong in the determination to make the Australian Imperial Forces a highly equipped striking force, greater industrial efforts are to be made.

So that the maximum use is made of skilled labour, tighter control of industry is envisaged similar to the British system.

This will follow a form of revision of manpower, which is to be carried out throughout the Commonwealth.

To aid the flow of labour into armament manufacture, a check on reserved occupations is also expected.

The Australian Government is also vigorously pushing the recruiting drive. They are determined adequately to reinforce the Australian Imperial forces and also ensure a strong home defence.

SIX MEN STRIVE TO FREE NORWAY

Six daring, determined men are striving to regain for Norway the freedom she lost by the German invasion.

They have taken a solemn vow to restore King Haakon to his throne, and in the fulfilment of that pledge they are risking their lives daily.

Chief of this little group of Norwegian patriots is a former high officer in the Norwegian army. A first-class soldier, he fought against the Germans throughout the short-lived campaign last year; and, after the Narvik debacle, he made his way to Paris, and eventually, to London.

Here he met some of his former colleagues, exiles like himself, and together they have laid the foundation of the freedom movement which is spreading rapidly through Norway.

At first the group had no settled plans; they were, however, united in their determination to free their country, and the leader undertook the perilous task of returning to Norway to investigate the chances of organised resistance.

Production in factories under Nazi control has slowed down to a minimum. Acts of sabotage have wrecked many a first-rate plant. Farm produce commandeered by the Germans has unaccountably failed to reach its destination. Trained workmen appear to have lost their skill. Traders find difficulty in fulfilling the orders which the German army of occupation placed with them.

POSED AS OFFICIALS

He found the people sullen and embittered against the Nazis and their agent Quisling. Ripe for revolt, they were unorganised. The Gestapo were on the watch for any sign of rebellion.

After a few weeks spent in travelling the country in one disguise or another, the leader returned to London, where he reported to his fellow patriots. It was then decided that each man should undertake a definite role in the work of creating a freedom movement, much on the lines of that which works so quickly and effectively in Germany.

One by one these men slipped into Norway. Some were ostensibly German sales agents; others were mere tourists. A few, greatly

alarmed, posed as minor Nazi officials.

Their credentials, apparently, were in perfect order, and they succeeded, without much difficulty, in establishing themselves in the chief towns and villages.

Their activities grew as the stubborn Norwegian spirit showed itself in demonstrations against the Nazis.

All the arts of propaganda were employed to foster the hatred of the people. From passive resistance to active revolt is a big step, but already much has been done.

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FILMS USED

That, however, is only part of the work which the Norwegian Freedom and Defence League has accomplished. By less direct methods it has encouraged the people to fight the Quisling Government.

Propaganda films find their way into the carefully censored programmes of the cinemas, apparently without the knowledge of the managements, who are profusely apologetic when an explanation is demanded.

Sometimes there is a "flash" from a British newsreel showing say, the exploits of the R.A.F. It lasts but a few seconds, but it has an electrical effect on the audience.

SCORES ARRESTED

Other picture houses favoured by German soldiers and officials and featuring Nazi films are boycotted. In some cases leaflets have been distributed in the streets urging the public to leave these cinemas to "Nazis—home and foreign—and prostitutes."

The Nazis are well aware of the danger of the movement, and the Gestapo is particularly active.

Scores of arrests have been made in Oslo, Bergen, and Stavanger; many a victim has felt the full weight of German brutality. But the work goes on.

WIDOWS' AID

URGED

Mr. Curtin Has Suggestions

CANBERRA.—Members of the Government and the Opposition applauded the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Curtin) when he made his second reading speech in support of the Child Endowment Bill in the House of Representatives.

Under the provisions of the bill there would be some correction of the glaring anomaly of large families suffering privations, said Mr. Curtin.

"The passage of the bill will mean far more than restoration of £13,000,000 from the employer to the worker," he said. "It will mean a far better use of £13,000,000."

The bill would give the first assurance of continuous payment to families and was nation-wide in its scope. It would apply to 1,000,000 children in 500,000 families.

FAMILIES OVER FIVE

"This is one of a series of social legislation the Government must regard as its duty to enact, rather than leave it to the States," Mr. Curtin said.

"It seems strange to me that while Governments are spending huge sums in establishing settlers to grow grapes for wine, they are placing all sorts of obstacles in the way of its satisfactory disposal."

"Along the Murray River, in South Australia alone, more than 1,000 returned soldier settlers depend entirely on the growing of grapes for wine."

MORE WINE WITH MEALS

CANBERRA.—The Assistant Minister for Commerce (Mr. Anthony) warmly approved a promise by the New South Wales Premier (Mr. Mair) to ask the New South Wales Government to agree that approved restaurants should be permitted to serve unfortified wine with meals.

Mr. Anthony urged that a similar liberalisation of licensing procedure should be permitted in other States.

"Australia must decide whether or not she wishes to preserve her wine industry," Mr. Anthony said.

"The problem of disposing of the splendid wine we produce is a serious one and State Governments which administer the liquor laws can help in solving it.

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FINED FOR EXCESS MUNITIONS LOAD

Geebung.—The importance of having munition supplies delivered to factories, although certain laws might be broken in the process, was urged in the Court of Petty Sessions by George Bromley, Autumn-st., Geebung West, a driver employed by the Ford Manufacturing Co.

Bromley was charged with having exceeded the load limit of eight tons with a four-wheeled vehicle when driving on Princes Highway, near Iara. He was fined £22.

Giving evidence, Bromley said he was told the load was about five tons. It was a load of munition supplies necessary at the works, and he felt that such matters of overloading should be put aside at a time like the present.

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HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Saturday, May 3, 1941.

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H.K. Tramways 200 \$15.60

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MAY 3, 1941.

On London:	Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8
	Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:	
On demand	400
On Singapore:	On demand 53 3/4
On Japan:	On demand 103 1/2
On India:	Telegraphic Transfer, 52 5/8
	and demand 52 5/8
On New York:	Bank Bills, on demand 23 3/4
Credits 4 months' sight 24 1/2	
On Batavia:	On demand 44 1/2
On Paris:	Bank Bills, on demand Nom.
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:	On demand 103
On Manila:	On demand 47 1/2
On Bangkok:	On demand 148 1/2
On Sterling Notes:	Bank Buying Rate ... Nom.
	Bar Silver per oz. 23 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Saturday, May 3.
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady with no business done. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403 1/4.

MARKET

STERLING

The market closed with sellers at 1/3 up to June, buyers at 1/3-1/3 any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Business was done during the course of the morning at 24 1/8 for near and forward. The market closed with sellers at 24 1/16 for near and forward, buyers at 24 1/8 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 463 with business reported at 468 1/4 followed by transactions later at 467 3/4 and 467 1/2. The market closed with sellers at 467, buyers at 467 3/4 for Cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 3 1/3-64 and closed steadier at 3 7/32 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/8 and closed steadier at 5 3/16 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai May 3 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening	0/3-1/8
London	5 1/8
New York	21-3/4
Japan	17 1/4
India	nominal
Paris	20-3/4
Hongkong	20-3/4

Sterling

Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-13/64
May	0/3-13/64
June	0/3-13/64

U. S. Dollars

Opening	55-5/32
May	5 1/8
June	5 1/8

Market—Quiet but steady.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 24 1/4 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, May 3 (Reuter). Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-07.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, May 3 (Reuter). T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2.

SILVER MARKET

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, May 3 (Reuter)	
Market—Steady. Offtake 50 bars	
Indian Mint Silver	
Randy	63-00
May 21 Settlement	63-00
June 20 Settlement	63-02

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, May 3, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	11.85	11.85	11.57	11.83	.26 up
New York Rubber, May	23.83	23.55	23.30	23.83	.53 up
Chicago Wheat, May	93	91	90	93	.31 up
Chicago Corn, May	69	68	68	68	.01 up
New York Hides, June	14.12	14.05	14.05b	14.11b	.06 up
NEW YORK COTTON	Close	Closing	Change		
May	11.64/55	11.81/81	.27 up		
July	11.57/57	11.83/83	.28 up		
October	11.68/67	11.88/88	.22 up		
December	11.65/66	11.89/89	.23 up		
January	11.62 N	11.87 N	.25 up		
March	11.63/63	11.86/88	.23 up		
Spot	11.75	12.05	.27 up		
Total sales, Friday:—808,000 bales.					
The last trading day for May cotton is May 16.					

NEW YORK RUBBER

May (New contract)

September ()

December ()

Total sales for the day:—1,240 tons.

The last trading day for May rubber is May 27.

CHICAGO WHEAT

May

July

September

Friday's sales:—8,026,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May

July

September

Total sales for the day:—81 lots.

NEW YORK COCOA

May

The last trading day for May cocoa is May 22.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

May

Volume of business done:—286 lots.

The last trading day for No. 3 Sugar is May 23.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

July

The last trading day for No. 4 Sugar is May 1.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

July

11.45b/50a

11.46b

NEW YORK COTTONSEED OIL

July

9.45/46

9.75/77

NEW YORK LARD

September

9.12b

9.40b

NEW YORK BLACK PEPPER

July

7.01b/04a

7.27/27

The First Notice Day for September black pepper is Aug. 26 and last trading day is September 23.

N.Y. Official Silver

34-3/4

unquoted

N.Y.-London Cross Rate

4.03-1/4

4.03-1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, May 2.

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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila

* ONOE MARU Friday, 30th May

SAIGON

* TURUGA MARU Thursday, 8th May

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

OKITA MARU Sunday, 11th May

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

* TURUGA MARU Thursday, 8th May

* NAGATO MARU Wednesday, 28th May

KOBE & YOKOHAMA

TATUTA MARU Tuesday, 6th May

* LIMA MARU Wednesday, 7th May

KASIMA MARU Thursday, 15th May

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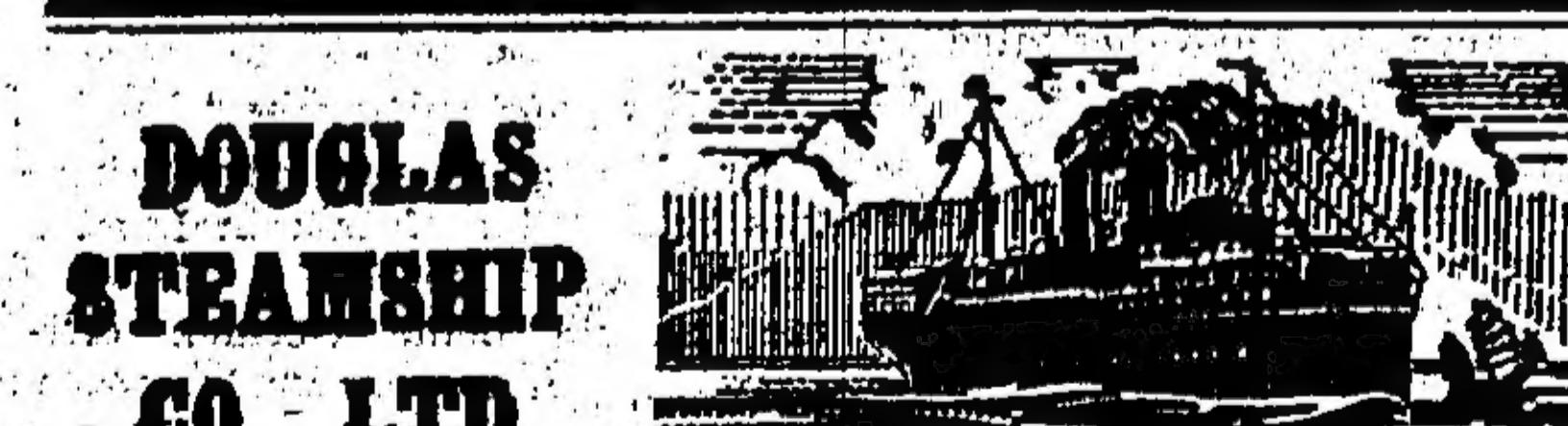
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SHOCKING JAPANESE OUTRAGE

A shocking Japanese outrage occurred near Lin Tin Island on Saturday when a junk was set on fire and the crew and passengers, numbering 13, were thrown overboard.

The only survivor, Pang Kan-chan, fok of the Hop Fat Company, was picked up by a passing vessel after almost 10 hours drifting with an oar.

According to a report made to the Police by Pang, the junk left the Colony at 6 p.m. on Friday for Chungshan with a cargo of 500 bags of salt. After sailing for seven hours the vessel was captured by an armed Japanese trawler about a mile west of Lin Tin Island.

The cargo was ordered to be transferred to the trawler as also the crew and passengers. The junk was then set on fire. After witnessing the destruction of their craft the crew and passengers were made to "walk the plank."

ANOTHER JUNK ROBBERY

Money, totalling \$3,795 in Chinese currency and \$8,000 worth of firewood, was stolen from a junk in British waters on May 1 by six armed pirates.

Cheung Kau, master of a cargo junk, reported that while sailing near Fuk Kim Tau, British waters, about 5 a.m. on May 1 they encountered a robbers' junk.

Six pirates boarded the craft and robbed him of \$1,595 Chinese currency and another fok of \$2,200 Chinese currency. After having transferred the cargo to their junk, the marauders sailed away.

KIANGSI CAMPHOR FOR EXPORT

The first consignment of camphor, important Kiangsi native product, has been packed and is being transported to Hongkong for export.

Camphor is produced in Kiangsi in abundant quantities. As a result of the introduction of a new refining process, the quality of the product has also been greatly improved.

Meanwhile, the Kiangsi authorities have established a factory for the manufacture of sulphuric acid in order to develop chemical industry in the province. (Central News)

INDIAN FACTORY CONSTRUCTION

SIMLA, May 4 (Reuter)—The Provincial Government has been empowered to require that all factories, which may be constructed in future, should have certain structural features as to reduce to a minimum the damage that can be done by air attack.

The powers will be particularly used in respect to new factories of real importance to the war effort or economy of the country.

SIMLA, May 4 (Reuter)—The Raj has declared Greece, with the exception of Crete, enemy territory under the Defence of India Rules for the purposes of trading.

NAGPUR, May 4 (Reuter)—The Governor of the Central Provinces has announced that 50 per cent. of all contributions to the Governor's War Purposes Fund will be devoted henceforth for the benefit of Indian troops serving abroad.

BURNING JUNK

According to a report by the master of the a.s. Tai Pat 6, a burning junk was sighted in Lat.

22 deg. 23' North and Long. 114

deg. 44' East on Friday.

NO LIMIT TO EMPIRE'S PART IN WAR OF AIR

CANBERRA.—The objective of the Empire Air Training Scheme—to produce 50,000 air crew from the Empire—was not fixed and in this total war the effort would be total, the Minister for Air (Mr. McEwen) said in a review of the progress of the Royal Australian Air Force.

"On this 20th birthday of the R.A.A.F. I can say that it is without peer in any land," he said.

There were more men in one large Air Force training establishment in Victoria today than comprised the entire R.A.A.F. in September, 1939, said the Minister, and 167,000 men had volunteered for service.

More than £40,000,000 would be spent on the Air Force this year compared with £135,000 in the first year of its existence. Present commitments under the Empire scheme approached £60,000,000.

"This year Australia's contribution of trained men will be of such a scale as to have an important influence on the trend of the air war," he added. "For every pilot, observer and gunner trained before the war we are turning out 100 today."

From two in 1921, Air Force establishments had increased to 80."

POST OFFICE REVENUE AMENDMENT

An Ordinance to amend the Post Office Ordinance, 1926, is notified in the Government Gazette.

This Ordinance may be cited as the Post Office Amendment Ordinance, 1941 and the Post Office Ordinance, 1926, is amended, by the addition of the following subsection to section 38 of Ordinance No. 7 of 1926:

In the case of a conviction involving a fine the court or magistrate inflicting such fine may direct, on the application of the Postmaster General or other officer conducting the prosecution, that any part not exceeding one half thereof shall be paid to any person who has given such information as has led to the conviction of the offender, or offenders, or, if there are more than one such person, may direct such part to be divided amongst them in such proportion as the court or magistrate may direct.

In setting out the objects and reasons; the notification further states that it is considered that a provision of this nature is necessary to prevent the loss of normal postal revenue and to secure that postal packets do not escape censorship.

POLICE REPORTS

Mr. T. Lock, of No. 11, Dragon Terrace, has reported the theft of a jacket from his car while parked outside the Colonial Secretary's Office, P.W.D. Building, on Friday.

Mr. J. Jay, of the American Express Company, reported that a pair of spectacles, valued at \$15, was stolen from his office on Friday.

An avalanche of some 15 tons

of stone and rocks fell on and killed two stone-breakers at Shek Kip Mei Village, Kowloon, on Saturday morning.

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REVOLUTIONARY INNOVATIONS PLANNED FOR MERCHANT NAVY

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The lot of the British seaman will be revolutionised by far-reaching changes likely to be made shortly in the Merchant Service, states Reuter's Shipping correspondent.

It is believed that the main innovations planned under the Ministry of Labour Regulations are:

Seamen will be assured for the first time of a secure job;

Better rates of pay with guaranteed wage;

Improved conditions of service;

More generous leave and possible pool of all units of the Merchant Navy from which crews can be selected.

The correspondent understands that seamen would not lose entirely their long-cherished liberty in the choice of ships.

For instance, a man who was not happy on voyage would not be compelled to return to sea again.

NAZI BLOCKADE RUNNER

"Lech" Believed To Have Been Scuttled

LONDON, May 4 (Reuter)—The fate of the German blockade runner cargo steamer Lech, 3,290 tons, is at present a mystery.

The Lech arrived at Rio de Janeiro on March 3 from Bordeaux with a cargo of chemicals and aeroplanes after running the British blockade. Her Captain, Friedrich Bringman, boasted that "Germany delivers the goods" and declared that the Lech would remain in Rio until the end of the war.

The Lech, however, was reported to have left Rio five days ago for Bergen with a valuable cargo and according to New York Maritime sources she was intercepted by a British auxiliary cruiser off Bahia, Brazil, and sunk. It is believed that she scuttled herself.

Official Brazilian and British circles in Rio de Janeiro are unable to confirm this report.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 5 to 11 May 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Mon.	5	05 08	4 3	07 08	4 1
	6	05 07	5 8	07 07	1 8
Tues.	6	05 47	4 8	10 47	3 9
	7	18 27	5 6	23 58	1 9
Wed.	7	06 26	5 1	—	—
	8	17 58	5 6	19 14	3 3
Thurs.	8	07 01	5 6	0 44	1 9
	9	19 13	5 1	13 17	2 5
Fri.	9	07 40	8 2	0 26	2 0
	10	20 17	5 6	14 08	1 6
Sat.	10	08 18	6 7	02 04	2 1
	11	21 18	5 6	14 56	1 1
Sun.	11	08 57	7 2	02 39	2 3
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Macao Races:
Cash Sweeps

The following are the cash sweep results of the Macao Race meeting held yesterday:

RACE 1
No. 226 \$318.40
No. 356 90.90
No. 36 45.50
Ticket Nos. 147 and 193 get \$25.20 each.RACE 2
No. 369 \$284.00
No. 18 75.40
No. 74 37.70
Ticket No. 594 gets \$20.90.RACE 3
No. 136 \$292.10
No. 84 63.40
No. 102 41.70
Ticket No. 314 gets \$46.30.RACE 4
No. 387 \$295.70
No. 163 84.50
No. 118 42.20
Ticket No. 358 gets \$46.90.RACE 5
No. 04703 \$7,494.98
No. 11052 2,141.42
Ticket Nos. 04142, 01502, 23690, 08469, 10344, 08201, 09011, 22436, 15280, 20471, and 21106 get \$108.15 each.

LAWN BOWLS

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F. J. A. Marques, A. F. Noronha, J. A. Remedios (Skip) 15. Total 64.

H.K.C.C.—J. D. A. Morrison, P. S. Cassidy, L. J. Davies, G. E. Costello (Skip) 15; L. A. R. Duncan, G. G. Aitkenhead, T. R. Rowell, F. Goodwin (Skip) 20; R. R. Davies, E. Hosper, R. A. Edwards, A. W. Brown (Skip) 18. Total 53.

THIRD DIVISION

H.K.F.C. 3-2

At Happy Valley, Hongkong Football Club by 3 points to 2.

H.K.F.C.—E. Casey, J. M. Thompson, J. I. Barnes, P. C. Morgan (Skip) 16; B. A. Mansell, B. I. Bickford, S. H. Strange, C. F. Needham (Skip) 23; F. P. Anslow, A. G. Gratton, F. Flippance, J. Russell (Skip) 17. Total 62.

K.F.C.—B. Williams, C. Frost, Y. Abbas, J. T. Smalley (Skip) 19; C. Cross, B. Thomson, A. MacIntrye, R. Ogden (Skip) 14; C. Woodcock, S. C. Wong, C. Fuller, B. Evans (Skip) 21. Total 54.

POLICE LOSE

At Happy Valley, Indian Recreation Club beat Police Recreation Club by 2 rinks with 1 drawn and an aggregate (44 points to 1 point).

P.R.C.—C. Gough, R. C. Fitches, A. J. Johnstone, F. Channing (Skip) 15; J. Hayward, R. MacKenzie, J. R. McWalter, J. C. Aitken (Skip) 18; W. Howell, G. Davies, J. Riddell, J. MacDonald (Skip) 14. Total 45.

I.R.C.—M. B. Hassan, A. S. Suffiadi, A. H. Madar, A. M. Wahab (Skip) 24; M. A. Wahab, M. U. Razack, A. G. Suffiadi, A. O. Madar (Skip) 25; B. el Arculli, J. M. Ramjahn, U. A. Ramjahn, S. M. Ramjahn (Skip) 14. Total 63.

RECREIO 3-2

At Chater Road, Club de Recreio beat Hongkong Cricket Club by 3 points to 2.

H.K.C.C.—P. Morrison, D. J. Valentine, E. S. Doughty, W. A. Cornell (Skip) 20; H. B. L. Dibbiggin, W. R. Lambert, A. S. Mitchell, E. S. Abraham (Skip) 23; J. C. Haig, L. E. N. Ryan, J. B. Gilroy, A. McKellar (Skip) 14. Total 57.

RECREIO—F. Sequira, J. O. Remedios, H. M. Xavier, M. A. Carvalho (Skip) 15; G. A. Pinna, C. A. Marques, M. F. Pinna, P. A. Yvanovich (Skip) 16; L. A. Rozario, F. A. R. Alves, M. Mendonca M. F. Alarcon (Skip) 29. Total 60.

CRAIGENGOWER LOSE

At Happy Valley, Kowloon Bowling Green Club beat Craigengower Cricket Club by 2 rinks to 1 and an aggregate (4 points to 1).

O.C.C.—W. J. Curd, F. Lee, C. W. Lam, N. Karanjia (Skip) 23; E. J. Todd, A. Kitchell, F. K. Modji, J. Pan (Skip) 18; L. M. Roza, M. A. Baptista, F. X. Delgado, A. J. Coelho (Skip) 16. Total 56.

K.R.G.C.—W. M. Wilson, S. C. Walker, L. A. Jordan, K. C. Hamilton (Skip) 23; J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, E. V. Searle, H. Nash (Skip) 23; G. Levett, C. E. Langley, J. S. Dinnen, G. E. F. Thompson (Skip) 14. Total 60.

SERGEANTS' MESS WIN

The Sergeants' Mess, H. K. V. D. C. beat the Kowloon Cricket Club by 60 shots to 54 in a friendly lawn bowls match at Cox's Path

VALLEY TRAINING TIMES

The following times were clocked during the training gallops held at Happy Valley on Saturday morning:

	Dis.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Last
		Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.	Qr.
Bendigo		35.3	109.1	137.3		28.2
Hascosey	1	34	102.3	130.4	158.2	27.3
Vanguard	1	40	112.2	141.2	210.3	29
Brown Derby	1	39.3	117.3	154.1	227.4	33.3
Derby Day	1	38	110	137.4		27.4
Swallow	1	32	103.2	131.2		28
Casino	1	35	108.2	141.2	211.4	30.2
Peaceful View	1	33	103	134	206.3	32.3
Just In Time	1	33.2	107	140.1	215.1	35
Dashing Beauty	1	32	103	132	200.2	28.2
Battle	2	33.4	106.1	135.4		29.3
Endeavour	2	32.2	101.4	131		30.1
Sydney Lady	2	35.3	110	140.2		30.2
Schmetterling	2	31.4	101.2	129.1		27.4
Cocklerol	2	33.2	104.3	133		28.2
Tropical Love	1	41.2	118.4	148	217	29
Miss Chalfont	2	34.2	107.4	138.2		—
Hopeful Star	2	38	114.2	147.3		33.1
Graceful View & Starlight View	1	32.3	105.4	134.2	203.3	29.1
Buckfastleigh	1	34	110	144	218	32
Rooftop	1	31.3	104	135.2	204.4	29.2
Income Tax	1	34.2	105.4	136.2	204.4	28.2
Cheerful Star	1	35.2	106.4	137	206.1	29.1
Hughber	1	45	126.3	203	235	32
Sports Lady & Trade Wind	1	38.2	112	144.3	214	39.2
Sydney Diamond & War Tax	1	34	105.3	134.3	203.4	29.1
Corvette	1	36.3	110.2	141	210	21
Prairie View & Misty View	1	35	108.2	137.2	206.1	28.4
Odin	1	37	111	143.1	213	29.4
Shuttlecock	2	30.2	101	130.1		29.1
Twinkling Star	1	34	105	135	202.4	27.4
A Blossom Time	1	41	115.2	147.2	217	29.3
High Hat	2	34.3	107.4	136		28.1
Boclat Bay & Oscar Zulch	1	35.3	109.2	141.3	220	32.2
Odeon	1	37	114	147	219	32
Riverside	1	41	115.1	147	215.1	28.1
Surprise Again	1	34.1	104.4	133.4	201	28.1
Advancing Time	1	34.2	108.2	141.2	212.4	31.2
Wonderful Scheme	1	39.3	118	150.1	223	32.4
Willow	1	35.1	107.3	138.1	207.2	29.1
A Happy Time	1	36.3	110.4	143.3	215.4	32.1
Amber II	1	38.1	114	146.4	215.3	28.4
Musketeer	1	35.3	110.2	143	216	33
Fleetwing	2	38	111	140		29
Emergency Unit	1	35	113	146.1	216.1	30
Quick Despatch	2	14	105.1	133.2		28.1
Viceroy	1	37.1	110	143	210.2	27.2
Crifel	1	41	118	153.1	226.1	33
Daylight	2	31	101	131		30
Harmony Star	1	38.2	112.2	144.2	215.2	31
Man O' War	2	34.4	107.1	136.2		29.1
Radio Decidendi	1	37.2	114.2	145.4	214	28.1
Bendemeer	1	39.3	111.2	143.1	211.3	32.2
Forsham Drive	2	32.3	104.3	136.2		31.4
King Kong	2	34.4	108	140		32